

## NEW MEXICO STATE FAIR ONLY A BARE TWO WEEKS AWAY NOW

### GROUNDS ARE BEING PUT INTO FIRST CLASS CONDITION

New Quarters Built for the Race Horses; Hangar for the Aeroplane; Exposition Buildings Cleaned.

With the New Mexico State fair only a bare two weeks away, the fair headquarters have assumed a higher aspect than ever. Secretary Manager John H. McMenamy is on the job from early morning until late at night. Building up the thousand and one details which must be attended to before the opening day. Considerable work is now being done at Tramore Park, in which since the fair will hold sway in the days to come, the exposition buildings are being repaired and renovated. The unusually large number of houses which are to participate in the races, has made it necessary to build new stalls for the ponies and a new grandstand is also being constructed. The train is being worked daily and the "go" is well in hand. The ball diamond is being graded and prepared, where necessary, and will be just enough for the fastest big leagues. A tent forty by forty is now being built and will be used as the hangar for the Circus performers, in which lights will be made by Eugene R. Ely, an aviator who is known throughout the United States for his skill and daring. One thing that is securing Secretary Manager McMenamy is always to put National Guard into shape. The Reo's Garment company in former years has secured quarters on the Santa Fe land between Clermont and 2nd Street and 2nd and 3rd. This year, however, the major portion of the land is occupied by the old Charles Hotel building, a fine modern hotel. Just across the railroad will be located in no known Governor Mills to Open the Exposition.

It is now practically assured that Governor William J. Mills and his staff will be in Albuquerque for the opening day and that the governor will formally declare the fair open. If it is possible, the governor and his staff will remain here several days. Montezuma Hall.

The fair has now been definitely decided to have the Montezuma Hall, the greatest social event in New Mexico in the east. The hall will be held in the rooming dining room of the Montezuma hotel, with the Taft Annex as a promenade and rest room. Because of the admission of New Mexico to the Union of states, the ball room will be handsomely decorated with American flags. The Stars and Stripes will form the other ornaments, although palms and cut flowers will also be seen in profusion. Patriotic noise by an orchestra composed of a wealth of palms will add interest and attractiveness to the occasion. Governor Mills has been invited to lead the grand march and it is confidently believed that he will accept the invitation.

**Santa Fe Circuit Horses are Coming**

Claire Davis L. Thompson of Albuquerque, who is now an Indian trader at Pacific Heights, and who has undertaken to bring a band of Navajos to the fair, will have the reservation in west Juan country at the end of next week making the trip to this city overland by one stage. Thompson will bring a bunch of fine looking Indians, several of whom will bring strings of horses with them to enter as contestants in the relay race. The Indians will perform in the afternoon at the fair grounds and at night down town.

**Baseball Tournament Fast Assuming Shape.**

Superintendent Thomas J. Naylor of the baseball department has things well in hand five teams having already entered: Albuquerque, Las Vegas, Tucson, El Paso and Amarillo. It is expected that Santa Fe will come in before the closing day and that the

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## NEGROES APPEAR IN ENGLISH JUDGE POLICE COURT NEVER WOULD USE PHONE

Rush McGaffey Tries to Force His Attentions on Widow: Accused Gets Fifteen Days in Jail.

Generally the more attentions a woman receives from men the happier she is, but such is not the case with Mrs. J. E. Scott of East Thirteenth street, the young widow lady with whom George Washington Ward, the indolent dog catcher, drove off from police court triumphantly some days since before the jealous eyes of several admirers. On that occasion Mrs. Scott, who incidentally is a cook of such ability that "cooks" is not a sufficiently dignified term, was making a sufficient against Rush McGaffey, a soft-mannered pupster, who had been trying to force his unavowable attentions consisting mainly of pawing at her nipples, stamping three times a day upon the linoleum.

In the meantime McGaffey had been arrested for disorderly conduct and that charge coupled with Mrs. Scott's complaint caused him to consist on a bench furnished in the cell, which isn't similar in any way to Mrs. Scott's, and restrain. Upon being released yesterday he was given strict orders to let Mrs. Scott alone.

However he could not resist the temptation, and yesterday afternoon the police received a hasty call. McGaffey had again tried to force his attentions and being again refused to go to Mrs. Scott across the street. The testimony was a confession of guilt and was generally had a good deal of hard common sense. He was a soft-mannered man and never tired of saying so to the litigants who came before him and of pointing a moral from his own career.

He never lived as a clerk in a wholesale dry goods house, and as he often told his court audience he saved money from the first. When he earned \$100 a week he lived on \$200 and saved the other \$300 and he had no patience with young men who were before him for their little and other petty debts.

"I never had any one penny in my life," he often said. He wouldn't demand to tell how he did it either. He walked in and from his work, six miles every day, and he never went to a theater or any other place of amusement.

While he worked in the dry goods store by day he read law at night, and when he abandoned the yard stick for the courts he soon was recognized as an uncommonly sound lawyer. He became a judge in 1886, his court being one in which minor civil actions were tried. Here are some of his quaint sayings:

"No house is furnished unless it has children and a mall cart in it."

"A good overcoat if properly brushed and taken care of, ought to last several years."

"I have never met a policeman yet who saw an accident."

"If you err on the side of honesty it does not follow that you are a fool."

"When I was a student I kept a partition between what I was doing and every other thought, so that I might concentrate my attention on what I was doing. By that means I succeeded."

"Don't say dad; say rather. It is one of the most beautiful words in the English language."

"It was not intended that there should be any worry in this world, and there would be none if people observed a few rules."

"On the whole the poor are happier than the rich right through the limit."

Judge Willis, although a liberal in politics, was nothing if not conservative. The good old days of his boyhood were good enough for him, and he had no patience with modern inventories—he would have protested against calling them improvements.

For instance, he never used a telephone in his life and never rode in an underground railway or an automobile. He never gambled, never borrowed money, never saw a horse race, never read a Sunday newspaper, never looked at a stock exchange ticker tape, and he declared recently that he was probably the only man in England who never read a word about the Crimean war.

In spite of this apparently sour and stern outlook in life, Willis was one of the kindest of men. He spent a lot of money helping poor persons who were sued before him for rent and similar debts, and a homily from the bench on the folly of getting into debt often would be followed by a quiet visit from the judge and a loan of enough to relieve pressing necessities. It was one of his rules that if these "loans" were repaid, as they sometimes were, to put the money out again at once in a similar way.

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Around Stark the impression is that Woodruff killed himself. One report says that he was riding with two men when the shooting occurred. Another, and the one most generally accepted, is that the two men were driving a buggy just ahead of Woodruff, who was alone in his buggy.

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The men, it is said, were going to a nearby creek to hunt. Suddenly six shots were heard. The men ahead halted to glance back. They saw Woodruff lying across the seat. Every one of the six chambers in a .38 caliber revolver was empty. Two bullets had taken effect in the body—one in the knee and another in the arm. Woodruff died to death before his companions could take him to a physician.

Woodruff was about 28 years old and is survived by his wife and three small children. He had never hinted that he contemplated suicide and is believed to be in the best of spirits. The shooting occurred on a country road about two miles south of Samsbury, not far from Woodruff's home.

**GRAND JURY IS STILL IN SESSION**

No New Indictments Were Found This Morning. However, Divorce Is Given Mrs. Tinker: Other Court News.

Judge Abbott today granted a decree of divorce in favor of Edna Grace Tinker against John G. Tinker, the grounds for the divorce being desertion. The decree provides for the payment of \$50 by the defendant as

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